

Florida Atlantic University Schools Committee Meetings
MINUTES

February 23, 2011
Henderson Media Center

Education Committee

Attending Committee Members: Mr. Shevrin Jones – Committee Chairman; Ms. Daphna Smolka, Dr. Patricia Hodge, Dr. Deborah Shepherd, Mr. Marc Hopin, Ms. Sharon Chapnick
Others Attending: Dr. Stephen Locke, Ms. Lacey Chimienti, Mr. David Santiago, Mr. Tom Ievoli, Mr. Glenn Thomas, Ms. Allyn Margolies, Mr. Israel Lopez

1. SIP -- Reading
 - a. Ms. Lacey Chimienti reviewed the reading portion of the SIP plan and explained to the attendees how the section was developed.
2. ESOL Add-On Plan
 - a. Dr. Patricia Hodge explained what the plan consists of and what is required of the teachers to get their certifications (what the district requires).
 - b. Page 19 shows what courses must be taken.
 - c. The school will add in five (5) additional courses to our professional development. Teachers either have to take these courses or college courses, which are tuition-free for those teachers who have been employed at the school for at least six (6) months.
 - d. The SAB will be required to approve the ESOL Add-On Plan at the next Monthly Meeting on Wednesday, March 9, 2011.
3. Mr. Jones updated the committee members on the results of the Science Olympiad and how our students performed.

Personnel Committee

Attending Committee Members: Mr. Tom Ievoli – Committee Chairman; Dr. Patricia Hodge
Others Attending: Ms. Daphna Smolka, Mr. Marc Hopin, Mr. Shevrin Jones, Ms. Sharon Chapnick, Dr. Stephen Locke, Ms. Lacey Chimienti, Mr. David Santiago, Mr. Glenn Thomas, Ms. Allyn Margolies, Mr. Israel Lopez

- a. Construction of Parent/Guardian Survey
 - a. Mr. Tom Ievoli distributed the 2010-2011 Pre-Survey narrative responses, and the 2009-2010 Parent/Guardian Survey for review.
 - b. Committee members will review the Pre-Survey responses to determine what questions should be included in this year's full survey.
 - c. Ms. Sharon Chapnick asked if there would be a separate section specifically for the high school because many of last year's questions were not relevant for the higher grades. Mr. Tom Ievoli will look into this request to determine if an entirely separate Parent/Guardian Survey needs to be created for the FAU High parents.
 - d. SAB members should email Mr. Ievoli with their suggestions – tievoli1@fau.edu
- b. Other Comments
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Finance Committee

Attending Committee Members: Mr. Marc Hopin – Committee Chairman; Ms. Daphna Smolka, Dr. Patricia Hodge, Ms. Sharon Chapnick

Others Attending: Dr. Stephen Locke, Mr. Shevrin Jones, Ms. Lacey Chimienti, Mr. Tom Ievoli, Dr. Deborah Shepherd, Mr. David Santiago, Mr. Glenn Thomas, Ms. Allyn Margolies, Mr. Israel Lopez

1. Activity Budget

- a. Mr. Marc Hopin requested information regarding any additional money that may have been collected after June 1, 2010, to make up the \$21,684.92 shortfall (Total Sources) that is currently on the July 1, 2009 – June 30, 2010 FAUS Sources and Uses of the Activity Fee sheet that he distributed at this meeting.
- b. Regarding payroll for the school nurse and lifeguard, determine how the current \$54,294.98 figure is distributed between these two positions.
- c. Mr. Hopin would like a breakdown of cash receipts. He stated there currently is no way to tell what these monies come in from.
- d. Yearbook Variance figure also includes graduation robes and diploma covers.
- e. Mr. Hopin suggested collecting the Activity Fee earlier in the year.
- f. The new Activity Fee budget will have to be voted on by the SAB members at their April 2011 meeting. Mr. Thomas will get clarification on the date.

2. Supplements Budget, 2011-2012

- a. Add JV Boys Basketball.
- b. The following additional supplements were suggested:
 - i. Student Government, K-8
 - ii. Green Club, K-12

Other Comments

1. Ms. Daphna Smolka discussed ongoing issues with the update of the school's website.
 - a. Dr. Hodge stated that we are currently working with Andres Leon, website coordinator, to make corrections and do updates on a regular basis.
 - b. Mr. Glenn Thomas asked that members contact him with website issues that need to go to Mr. Leon. He stated that postings usually take 24 hours from the time the request is made.
 - c. Mr. Thomas requested that Dr. Hodge speak with the school technology department to make sure that they are following up on these requests.
2. Ms. Smolka would like to see a breakdown of how the cafeteria dollars are spent.
 - a. What kinds of food are being purchased;
 - b. What types of food might be considered a loss;
 - c. What the students are actually eating from the current menu;
 - d. If there are healthier/tastier substitutes that might be purchased to replace what is currently being served to the students.